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REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 31-56 were pending in the application. By this paper, Applicant canceled Claims 1-12 and 50-56 without prejudice, and added new Claims 57-81. Accordingly, Claims 31-49 and 57-81 are presented herein for examination.

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*Restriction Election*

As noted above, Applicant herein elects the invention of Group II for further prosecution. The non-elected claims have been cancelled without prejudice herein.

10 *New Claims*

By this paper, Applicant has added new Claims 57-81. Support for these new claims is replete throughout Applicant's specification (see, *inter alia*, pages 11-14 of Applicant's specification as filed), and hence no new matter has been added.

Moreover, Applicant submits that each of these new claims relates to the elected Group II invention, and is properly examined therewith.

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Applicant further respectfully submits that each of these new claims is both novel and non-obvious over the art of record, and defines patentable subject matter.

*Other Remarks*

Applicant hereby specifically reserves the right to prosecute claims of different or broader scope in a continuation or divisional application.

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Applicant notes that any claim cancellations or additions made herein are made solely for the purposes of more clearly and particularly describing and claiming the invention and responding to the aforementioned restriction election, and not for purposes of overcoming art or for patentability. The Examiner should infer no (i) adoption of a position with respect to patentability, (ii) change in the Applicant's position with respect to any claim or subject matter of the invention, or (iii) acquiescence in any way to any position taken by the Examiner, based on such cancellations or additions.

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Furthermore, any remarks made with respect to a given claim or claims are limited solely to such claim or claims.

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If the Examiner has any questions or comments which may be resolved over the telephone, he is requested to call the undersigned at (858) 675-1670.


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